

Memo for the Record
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Discussion with J. J. Hitchcock, Chief, CGS/DD/I,
on His Request for "Access to Operational
Information"

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1. [redacted] of OSA requested that CGS seek the authority of DD/S&T to obtain certain types of continuing operations information from OSA. The specific type of information is recited in the attached draft memorandum.

2. The attached draft memorandum was forwarded to me, through OSA, by Mr. Hitchcock. I informed Mr. Hitchcock telephonically on 28 January we were not prepared to concur in his request. He visited me later that day in order to plead personally his case. During that visitation our non-concurrence was reiterated, and the following reasons offered as a basic for same:

a. In the absence of an agreement between DD/I and ourselves on the role and authority of CGS, the institution and elaboration of lines of communication may serve only to prejudice the outcome of the issue.

b. Before agreeing to submitting to CGS any information on COMOR activities, I would desire to solicit the advice of the Chairman, COMOR, who unfortunately is out of the country on TDY.

c. I was not aware of the clearance status of certain unnamed recipients of the desired information and wished to reassure myself on this point. It was specifically noted by me to Mr. Hitchcock that various members of the CCPC did not possess the necessary clearances.

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3. The matter was left by me with Mr. Hitchcock that this matter would remain suspended pending the development of an Agency position on the role and responsibility of CGS.

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[Redacted]
Executive Officer
Deputy Director
(Science and Technology)

Attachment

Memo from Mr. Hitchcock

Distribution:

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RECIPIENT FOR: Assistant Director, Special Activities

THROUGH : Executive Assistant, DD/SAT

SUBJECT : Access to Operational Information

1. CGS requests that selected personnel be authorized to receive daily information on operations schedules and completions of missions. Such information is needed for the DD/I, those CGS people concerned with COMINT activities, and certain key personnel including Phil Strong, Chairman, CCPC. The Reconnaissance Group also needs this information to be alert to the availability of materials for exploitation at NPIC.

2. At the same time, I would like to request that you grant access to information on peripheral reconnaissance by Reconnaissance Group personnel. Access to JRC publications, including revisions and additions to "standard tracks," is required for exploitation purposes and in providing comments for DD/SAT recommendations to the CIA Special Group member.

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3. I would like to designate [redacted] Chief, Reconnaissance Group, his deputy, [redacted], as those authorized to receive the above information.

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James J. Hitchcock
Chief
DD/I Collection Guidance Staff

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